

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
1685 E Street, Fresno, California 93706

PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER R5-201X-XXXX
FOR
CITY OF AVENAL & WASTE CONNECTIONS
FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION
AVENAL REGIONAL LANDFILL
KINGS COUNTY

The City of Avenal and Waste Connections, hereinafter referred to jointly as “Discharger”, own and operate, respectively, the Avenal Regional Landfill (Facility) located northeast of the intersection of State Road 269 and Hydril Road within the incorporated limits of the City of Avenal, in Section 15, T22S, R17E, MDB&M. The Facility is on a 173-acre property at 1200 Skyline Boulevard, Avenal. Existing landfill units consist of unlined landfills covering approximately 45 acres and lined landfill units that will cover up to approximately 78 acres. The Facility is currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2005-0023 and R5-2012-0121, which prescribes requirements for operations and construction. The tentative WDRs will update the operation and construction requirements, including the acceptance of nonhazardous, non-designated liquid waste for solidification prior to disposal.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: October 10 and 11, 2019
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Redding City Hall
777 Cypress Avenue
Redding, CA 96001

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- City of Avenal
- Waste Connections, Inc.

Designated parties, but not interested persons, will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness

testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on **19 August 2019**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The tentative Waste Discharge Requirements were issued on **19 July 2019**. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than by 5:00 p.m. on **19 August 2019**. Written materials submitted after 5:00 p.m. on the above date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Central Valley Water Board Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Central Valley Water Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

For a copy of the tentative waste discharge requirements and its related documents or if anyone has any questions regarding the tentative waste discharge requirements, please contact Kristen Gomes at (559) 445-5108 or by email at kristen.gomes@waterboards.ca.gov. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the office of the Central Valley Water Board at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, 93706, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.

The final meeting agenda will be available on the [Central Valley Water Board's Agenda Calendar web page](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/), at least ten days before the meeting.

The agenda will provide the dates the Central Valley Water Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained on the [Waterboards' Laws and Regulations web page](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the [Central Valley Water Board's Meeting Procedures web page](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml)

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or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original Signed By:

CLAY L. RODGERS, Assistant Executive Officer

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